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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: **Bahija JALLAL, et al.**

Title: *Diagnosis And Treatment Of PTP04 Related Disorders*

Appl. No.: **09/822,295**

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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the *Non-Final* Office Action dated October 4, 2002, the due date for response having been extended three months to April 4, 2003, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.

Applicants concurrently file herewith a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), with provision for the required fee, to extend the period for response for three months up to, and including, April 4, 2003. If additional fees are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 10 and 11 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein.